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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of 29 July 2002, Applicant responds by requesting that the application be amended as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph at page 36, lines 4-10, to read as follows:

A1
In a separate embodiment of the invention, it is possible to detect multiple single nucleotide polymorphisms (i.e., multiple alleles) simultaneously through the process of multiplexing. Thus, at least 4 different allele-specific oligonucleotides (P1) can be employed to detect any one of 4 possible point mutations at the given site on the target

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